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6 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

8 ANDREW ARRAND,
9 Plaintiff,

CASE No. 2:20-cv-00694-BNW

10 -vs.-

11 COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY
12 Defendant.

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14 **STIPULATION AND ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE A RESPONSE AND**
15 **REPLY TO THE COMMISSIONER'S MOTIONS FILED MARCH 16, 2021**
16 **(First Request)**

17 The Commissioner filed a Response to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment and a
18 Motion to Remand to Social Security Administration on March 15, 2021. The reply and response
19 respectively are due March 29, 2021. The parties hereby stipulate to allow the Plaintiff an
20 additional 21 days to file the responsive pleadings.

21 FRCP 6(b) states:

22 (b) Extending Time:

23 (1) In General.

24 When an act may or must be done within a specified time, the court may, for good cause, extend the time:

25 (A) With or without motion or notice if the court acts, or if a request is made, before the original time or its extension expires; or

26 (B) On motion made after the time has expired if the party failed to act because of excusable neglect.
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1 Local Rule 6-1 states:

- 2 (a) Every motion requesting a continuance, extension of time, or order shortening time shall
3 be “Filed” by the Clerk and processed as an expedited matter. Ex parte motions and
4 stipulations shall be governed by LR 6-2.
5 (b) Every motion or stipulation to extend time shall inform the Court of any previous
6 extensions granted and state the reasons for the extension requested. A request made after
7 the expiration of the specified period shall not be granted unless the moving party,
8 attorney, or other person demonstrates that the failure to act was the result of excusable
9 neglect. Immediately below the title of such motion or stipulation there shall also be
10 included a statement indicating whether it is the first, second, third, etc., requested
11 extension, i.e.:

12 STIPULATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE MOTIONS
13 (First Request)

- 14 (c) The Court may set aside any extension obtained in contravention of this Rule.
15 (d) A stipulation or motion seeking to extend the time to file an opposition or final reply to a
16 motion, or to extend the time fixed for hearing a motion, must state in its opening
17 paragraph the filing date of the motion.

18 Local Rule 6-2 states:

- 19 (a) Any stipulations, ex parte or unopposed motions requesting a continuance, extension of
20 time, or order shortening time, and any other stipulation requiring an order shall not
21 initially be “Filed” by the Clerk, but shall be marked “Received.” Every such stipulation
22 20 | Page or ex parte or unopposed motion shall include an “Order” in the form of a
23 signature block on which the Court or Clerk can endorse approval of the relief sought.
24 This signature block shall not be on a separate page, but shall appear approximately one
25 inch (1”) below the last typewritten matter on the right-hand side of the last page of the
26 stipulation or ex parte or unopposed motion, and shall read as follows:

27 “IT IS SO ORDERED:
28 [UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE,
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE,
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CLERK]
(whichever is appropriate)

DATED: _____”

- (b) Upon approval, amendment or denial, the stipulation or ex parte or unopposed motion shall be filed and processed by the Clerk in such manner as may be necessary.

1 The Ninth Circuit has held in Ahanchian v. Xenon Pictures, Inc., 624 F.3d 1253, 1258-59 (9th
2 Cir. 2010) that Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b)(1) “ ‘[is] to be liberally construed to effectuate the general
3 purpose of seeing that cases are tried on the merits.’ *Rodgers v. Watt*, 722 F.2d 456, 459 (9th
4 Cir.1983) (quoting *Staren v. American Nat’l Bank & Trust Co. of Chicago*, 529 F.2d 1257, 1263
5 (7th Cir.1976)); *see also* Fed.R.Civ.P. 1 (“[The Federal Rules] should be construed and
6 administered to secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and
7 proceeding.”). Consequently, requests for extensions of time made before the applicable deadline
8 has passed should “normally ... be granted in the absence of bad faith on the part of the party
9 seeking relief or prejudice to the adverse party.” 4B Charles Alan Wright & Arthur R.
10 Miller, *Federal Practice and Procedure* § 1165 (3d ed. 2004).” Id.

12 Plaintiff needs additional time to review the issues presented by the Commissioner’s
13 pleadings. The additional time is needed to review the extensive record in this case to see if
14 there is an issue that needs to be investigated by the ALJ, if necessary.

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THE PARTIES THEREFORE STIPULATE AND AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Plaintiff will have until April 19, 2021 to file responsive pleadings to the Commissioner's pleadings filed on March 16, 2021

Dated: March 29, 2021

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IT IS SO ORDERED:



UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE,

DATED: 4/2/2021